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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 7-33 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 7-33 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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1. Claims 7-33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

In independent claim 7, the phrase “that indicates an actual distortion of the transmitted first impulse radio signal” on line 6 is indefinite and unclear in context. Similarly, on line 10 of claim 7, the phrase “that indicates an actual distortion of the transmitted second impulse radio signal” is indefinite and unclear in context.

In independent claim 11 (on line 3), the phrase “that indicates an actual distortion of a transmitted first impulse radio signal” is indefinite and unclear in context.

In claim 11 (on line 5), the phrase “that indicates an actual distortion of a transmitted second impulse radio signal” is indefinite and unclear in context.

On lines 6-7 of independent claim 15, the phrase “that indicates an actual distortion of the corresponding one of the transmitted plurality of impulse radio signals” is indefinite and unclear in context.

In independent claim 19 (on lines 8-9), the phrase “that indicates an actual distortion of the transmitted first impulse radio signal” is indefinite and unclear in context.

In independent claim 19 (on lines 11-12), the phrase “that indicates an actual distortion of the transmitted second impulse radio signal” is indefinite and unclear in context.

In independent claim 25 (on line 5), the phrase "that indicates an actual distortion of a transmitted second impulse radio signal" is indefinite and unclear in context.

In independent claim 25 (on line 3), the phrase "that indicates an actual distortion of a transmitted first impulse radio signal" is indefinite and unclear in context.

On lines 7-8 of independent claim 29, the phrase "that indicates an actual distortion of the corresponding one of the transmitted plurality of impulse radio signals" is indefinite and unclear in context.

Dependent claims 8-10, 12-14, 16-18, 20-24, 26-28, and 30-33 are unclear in that they depend from unclear independent claims.

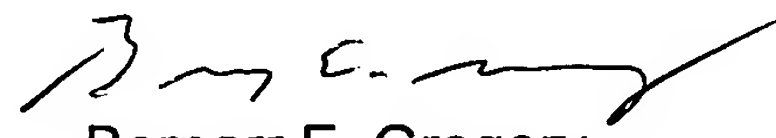
2. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

The examiner-cited is of interest in that it was cited in the parent application.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bernarr E. Gregory whose telephone number is (703) 306-5765. The examiner can normally be reached on weekdays from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas H. Tarcza, can be reached on (703) 306-4171. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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